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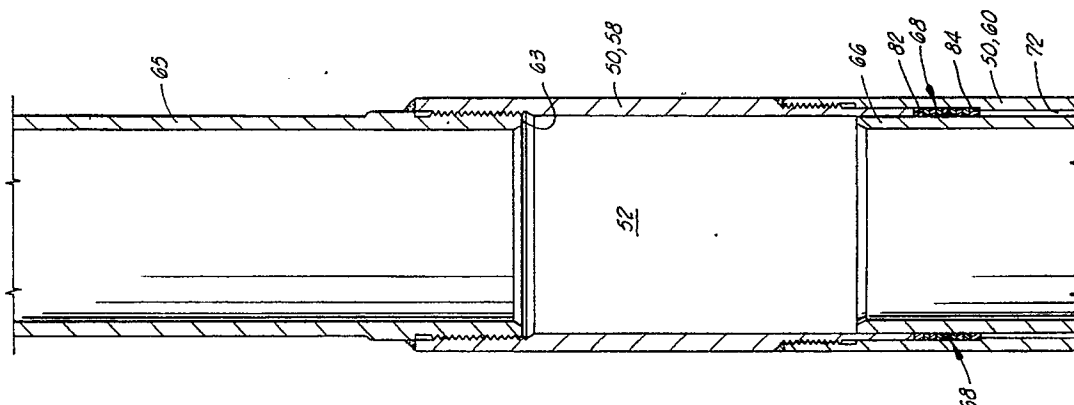
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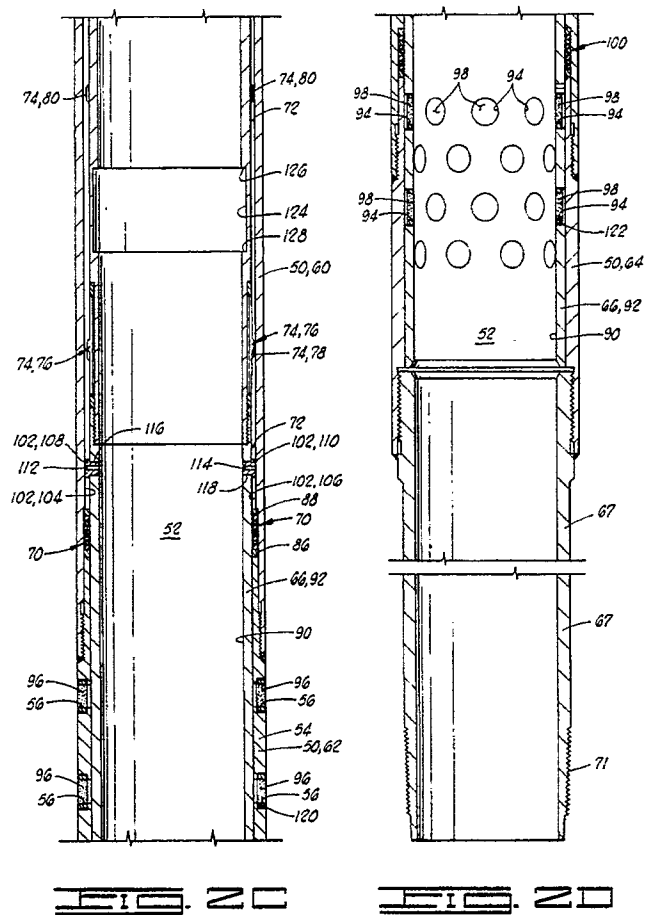
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(54) **Casing valve.**

(57) A casing valve for use in a well comprises an outer housing (50) having a longitudinal passageway (52) defined therethrough and having a housing wall (54) with a housing communication port (56) defined through said housing wall, said housing including a first disintegratable plug (96) initially blocking said housing communication port; and a sliding sleeve (66) slidably disposed in said longitudinal passageway, said sleeve having a longitudinal sleeve bore (90) defined therethrough and having a sleeve wall

(92) with a sleeve communication port (94) defined through said sleeve wall, said sleeve including a second disintegratable plug (98) initially blocking said sleeve communication port, said sleeve being selectively movable relative to said housing between a first position wherein said housing communication port and said sleeve communication port are out of registry with each other and a second position wherein said ports are in registry with each other.







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